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TAGS: ECON, GE, IZ

SUBJECT: EAST GERMAN TRADE WITH IRAQ

1. FEB 22 NEWLY ARRIVED USINT E/C OFFICER MADE INTRODUCTORY CALL ON GDR COMMERCIAL COUNSELLOR CLAUS-GAEDT AND COMMERCIAL ATTACHE JOACHIM ZUTHER. VERY CORDIAL VISIT LASTED OVER ONE HOUR. GERMANS ASKED POINTED QUESTIONS ABOUT RECENT BAGHDAD VISIT OF CHASE MANHATTAN BOARD CHAIRMAN DAVID ROCKEFELLER AND "RUMORS" OF CONTRACT DIFFICULTIES BETWEEN GOI AND TWO U.S. FIRMS (BROWN AND ROOT AND NEILL-PRICE) BUILDING OIL PORT FACILITIES IN BASRA. WERE ALSO CURIOUS ABOUT COMPOSITION OF U.S. TRADE WITH IRAQ.

2. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS GERMANS SAID THEIR EXPORT STRATEGY FOR IRAQ CONCENTRATES ON HIGH TECHNOLOGY CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND TURN-KEY INDUSTRIAL PLANTS WITH SECONDARY EMPHASIS ON CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS. 1974 HAD BEEN FRUSTRATING FOR EAST GERMAN EXPORTS BECAUSE OF DIFFICULTY MOVING GOODS THROUGH CLOGGED TURKISH RAILROAD SYSTEM. THIS HOWEVER IMPROVING AND IN JANUARY 1975 150 THOUSAND  
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TONS OF EAST GERMAN GOODS HAD BEEN DELIVERED TO IRAQ.

SAW NO CHANGES IN PATTERN OF TRADE FOR 1975. THOUGHT  
MIGHT BE A SLIGHT INCREASE IN IMPORTANCE OF ONCE WEEKLY  
AIRFREIGHT OPERATIONS FROM BERLIN. KILLOUGH

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